

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670

**Notice of Public Workshop on the Development of a
Basin Plan Amendment Concerning Methyl and Total Mercury in the
Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary**

The Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board) will hold a public workshop to discuss the development of an amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) for the control of methyl and total mercury in the Sacramento- San Joaquin Delta Estuary.

The workshop is scheduled as follows:

Date: 28/29 November or 1/2 December 2005 (Please contact staff 2 weeks in advance for date)

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Place: 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova

Staff will be providing information to the Central Valley Water Board regarding potential options to reduce methyl and total mercury loads from municipal and industrial wastewater treatment plants, municipal stormwater runoff, dredging operations, wetlands, agriculture, and open channels. The control options could apply to public and private landowners. This workshop will provide: 1) an overview of the Delta total maximum daily load; 2) an overview of a potential Basin Plan amendment for new beneficial uses, water quality objectives, and a program to control methyl and total mercury discharges; and 3) an opportunity for interested persons to provide comments on the potential Basin Plan amendment. All comments will be included in the final administrative record.

Following the workshop, staff will review comments received and prepare final recommendations in a report for Central Valley Water Board consideration at a future public meeting.

Questions regarding this issue should be directed to Melanie Medina-Metzger at (916) 464-4644 or mmedina-metzger@waterboards.ca.gov. The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Janice Tanaka at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

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Kenneth D. Landau, Assistant Executive Officer
5 October 2005